



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5416

LCO No. 1008



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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
REP. BERTHEL, 68th Dist.

**AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR FRAUDULENT VOTING,
ABSENTEE BALLOT FRAUD AND VOTER REGISTRATION FRAUD.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 That (1) section 9-360 of the general statutes be amended to increase
2 the penalty to a class D felony as well as disenfranchisement for voting
3 in any town meeting, primary, election or referendum where the
4 person is not qualified to vote, and for voting more than once at the
5 same town meeting, primary, election or referendum; (2) section 9-360
6 of the general statutes be amended to increase the penalty from a class
7 D felony to a class C felony as well as disenfranchisement for voting or
8 attempting to vote at any election, primary, referendum or town
9 meeting by assuming the name of another legally qualified person; (3)
10 sections 9-359 and 9-359a of the general statutes be amended to
11 increase the penalty from a class D felony to a class C felony as well as
12 disenfranchisement for absentee ballot fraud; and (4) section 9-358 of
13 the general statutes be amended to increase the penalty from a class D
14 felony to a class C felony as well as disenfranchisement for any person
15 who falsely swears any material fact concerning any qualifications of
16 such person to be registered or admitted as an elector to any registrar

17 of voters, moderator of any election, primary or referendum, or any
18 board for admission for electors.

Statement of Purpose:

To maintain the integrity of elections by increasing the penalties for fraudulent voting, absentee ballot fraud and voter registration fraud.